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IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (canceled).

Claim 2 (previously presented): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 8 including at least one pair of holders for holding a tool, with the concave portion being defined between the at least one pair of holders.

Claim 3 (original): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 2 including a plurality of holders.

Claims 4-7 (canceled).

Claim 8 (currently amended): A tool-holding apparatus for holding at least one tool, the tool-holding apparatus comprising:

a board;

at least one holder formed on the board, the at least one holder comprising a root extending perpendicularly from the board, wherein the at least one holder includes a substantially horizontal section extending perpendicularly from the root parallel to the board, wherein the at least one holder includes an inclined section extending obliquely from the [[root]] substantially horizontal section toward the board, wherein the at least one holder includes a tip extending obliquely at an interconnection from the inclined section for pressing the at least one tool, and a restraint formed on the inclined section and extending from the interconnection away from the tip for restraining the at least one tool, with the root, substantially horizontal section, tip and restraint being formed as a single, integral piece and shaped like a curve, with a side of the restraint and the tip opposite to the substantially horizontal section defining a planar abutment surface; and

a concave portion defined in the board near the root for receiving the <u>at least one</u> tool, wherein the tip is separated from the concave portion by a gap for receiving the <u>at least one</u> tool <u>abutting with the planar abuttment surface</u>.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the restraint includes an obtuse protrusion formed thereon on the planar abutment surface defined by the restraint spaced from the tip.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 9 wherein the concave [[area]] <u>portion</u> includes a first facet and a second facet extending from the first facet.

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Claim 11 (canceled).

Claim 12 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim [[12]] 8 including an ear extending from the board for hanging the tool-holding apparatus on the wall.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 12 wherein the restraint includes an obtuse protrusion formed thereon on the planar abutment surface defined by the restraint spaced from the tip.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim [[4]] 3 wherein the restraint includes an obtuse protrusion formed thereon on the planar abutment surface defined by the restraint spaced from the tip.

. Claims 15 and 16 (canceled).

Claim 17 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 10 wherein the planar abutment surface is generally parallel to but spaced from the second facet, with the second facet extending perpendicularly from the first facet, with the first facet extending obliquely from the root.

Claim 18 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim [[6]] 2 wherein the concave area includes a first facet and a second facet extending from the first facet.

Claim 19 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 18 wherein the planar abutment surface is generally parallel to but spaced from the second facet, with the second facet extending perpendicularly from the first facet extending obliquely from the root.

Claim 20 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 8 wherein the concave [[area]] <u>portion</u> includes a first facet and a second facet extending from the first facet.

Claim 21 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 20 wherein the planar abutment surface is generally parallel to but spaced from the second facet, with the second facet extending perpendicularly from the first facet, with the first facet extending obliquely from the root.

Claim 22 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim [[4]] 3 wherein the concave area includes a first facet and a second facet extending from the first facet.

Claim 23 (currently amended): The tool-holding apparatus according to claim 22 wherein the planar abutment surface is generally parallel to but spaced from the second facet,

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with the second facet extending perpendicularly from the first facet, with the first facet extending obliquely from the root.